

# Global Issues and Perspectives in Monitoring Behaviors in Populations: Surveillance of Risk Factors in Health and Illness

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## Conference Announcement and Call for Abstracts

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*You are invited to participate in this conference.*



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# CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

## Rationale:

Global patterns of morbidity and mortality have changed. There is increasing attention to the role of noncommunicable, chronic disease conditions in both developed and developing countries. At the same time, health promotion activities have increased but the public health infrastructure to respond to these changes is limited. Part of that infrastructure is the ability to maintain systems for the *monitoring* of health-related behaviors and social determinants of health and illness in the population. Some countries have well-developed and established monitoring systems; however, most have only occasional cross-sectional surveys, and many have no systematic continuous monitoring. There is a recognized need for systematically collected data on risk factors and social determinants in health and illness.

## Who should attend:

Persons who are currently

- Conducting chronic disease surveillance.
- Planning chronic disease surveillance.
- Developing a global network of persons interested in surveillance.
- Interested in the application and use of population health data for health policy.

## Purpose:

To bring together two key groups of people:

- Those who have considerable experience in establishing and carrying out population-based risk factor and chronic disease surveillance.
- Those who are interested in establishing or improving existing approaches.

And to

- Outline issues involved in carrying out surveillance.
- Make recommendations on how to proceed.
- Establish a global network of interest.

## Expectations:

Report on the meeting and dissemination of the recommendations is planned. Other products, such as an Internet site, newsletter, etc. will be explored. It is also anticipated that a network of experts in monitoring risk behaviors will be established.

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# CONFERENCE INFORMATION

- Program Topics:**
- Risk Factor Surveillance in a Global Context: Assessing Chronic Disease and Health Promotion Issues.
  - Building an Infrastructure for Surveillance.
  - Current Theories.
  - The Future of Global Surveillance.

## Conference Planning Committees:

Two committees will support the meeting:

1. A Program Committee consisting of representatives from the sponsors and local Atlanta planners and facilitators.
2. A Scientific Committee consisting of senior scientists, experts in risk factor monitoring, and representatives from the Program Committee.

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## Sponsors:

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)  
National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP), U.S.A.  
David McQueen (Lead)
- National Public Health Institute (KTL), Finland  
Pekka Puska (Lead)

## Cosponsors:

- Laboratory Centre for Disease Control, Health Canada
- Health Education Authority (HEA), England
- Government of Australia

## Costs:

No registration fee will be required. Participants other than invited members of the Scientific Committee and key speakers are expected to pay their own expenses. Limited travel assistance is available for persons making presentations.

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B. Do not use postal codes and do not include degrees after any names.

### EXAMPLE:

HIV Testing Behavior and Associated Characteristics Among U.S. Adults, 1993–1997.

D. HOLTZMAN\* (1), R. RUBINSON (2), and D.V. MCQUEEN (1). (1) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA, U.S.A.; (2) Emory University, Atlanta, GA, U.S.A.

## II. TEXT.

A. The body of the abstract should contain

1. A statement of the rationale and scope of the study presented.
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3. Any data that clearly demonstrate the important results obtained.
4. The main conclusion.

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